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February 27, 1995

Mike Pagano
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RE: NPDES General Stormwater Discharge Permit #1200-F inspection, February 21, 1995.

Dear Mr. Pagano,

Thank you for your assistance during the stormwater inspection conducted by John Holtrop and myself on February 21, 1995. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. The following is a summary of the inspection findings and the requested additions to Lynden Farm's Storm Water Pollution Control Plan (SWPCP):

1. Live Holding Area

Current practices for cleaning this area involve hosing down the impervious ground where the animals are held. This water then flows to a concrete gutter, where feathers are cleaned out daily. The cleaning water continues on through the stormwater drainage system to the Willamette River. Because the washwater used contains significant pollutants (fecal material) it is considered process wastewater. If Lynden Farms continues to use this method for cleaning this area, the washwater *must* be rerouted to the sanitary sewer system. An alternative would be to clean the area without water. You may try applying an absorbent material, such as kitty litter, then sweep up and dispose of properly. A third alternative is to install a package pretreatment system for all washwater discharged to the storm system and obtain an NPDES permit for process wastewater from DEQ. If you choose this option, contact Jim Sheetz at DEQ (229-5740) for information and requirements.

2. Truck Wash Area

Since washwater is considered process wastewater, Lynden Farms shall route the washwater discharge to the sanitary sewer. The wash area should also incorporate measures, such as roofing and berming, that would limit commingling of washwater with stormwater. *The current practice of discharging washwater to the storm sewer is unacceptable.* Immediately, Lynden Farms must fix the existing float switch in the receiving catch basin and pump all washwater to the sanitary sewer. Any relocation on-

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site must incorporate discharge to the sanitary sewer with measures to minimize stormwater commingling. An alternative would be to perform all truck cleaning offsite at a facility that discharges wastewater to the sanitary sewer, or, with approval and proper permits from DEQ, you may utilize a packaged pretreatment system as mentioned above.

3. Oil Storage Area

The oil storage area adjacent to the boiler plant is roofed, but does not have secondary containment. Curbing must be installed around this area.

4. Truck Maintenance Shop

The catch basins on both sides of the truck maintenance shop should be retrofitted with inverted elbows.

5. SWPCP

Outfall #2, which discharges to the Willamette River, is not described in the SWPCP. Please include a narrative describing this outfall and the area it drains. You will also need to begin biannual sampling and monthly monitoring here in addition to that done at outfall #1.

Additional changes to make are written in the copy of the SWPCP that you have. Please send me a revised copy once these changes are made.

Thank you again for your cooperation during the inspection. I understand the current financial situation at Lynden Farms and recognize that you are doing the best you can to comply with the stormwater permit requirements. Please send me a plan with an implementation schedule for the items addressed in this letter by March 24, 1995. If you have any questions or comments, don't hesitate to call me at 823-5437.

Sincerely,

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Environmental Technician

cc: Ken Perkins
Greg East (City)